

REGISTERED MASTER BUILDERS

# HOUSE OF THE YEAR

## JUDGING CRITERIA

### Volume/Group Housing New Home

| Judging Categories                 | Points (2000) | Weighting |
|------------------------------------|---------------|-----------|
| 1. Workmanship                     | 1300          | 65%       |
| 2. Design, functionality and style | 700           | 35%       |

#### Workmanship

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| <p><b>Structure</b></p> <p>The foundations, floors, walls and roof are straight, true, level and plumb. Attention to detail has been maintained providing a structure with high levels of accuracy for fixing roofing, cladding and linings.</p>  | /200         |
| <p><b>External cladding and roofing</b></p> <p>All roofing, cladding, veneers, soffits and trims have been fixed or laid to the manufacturer's specifications and to the best possible trade practice, e.g. the paintwork should be free of blemishes.</p> <p>All flashings on the roof, parapet, windows and doors, wall junctions and projections have been installed neatly to the best trade practice and to the manufacturer's instructions.</p> <p>Special weather resistant finishes such as coatings, have been applied neatly and weather resistant deckings installed to the best trade practice and in accordance with the manufacturers specifications.</p> | /350         |
| <p><b>Installation of products</b></p> <p>Products and materials have been installed correctly - taking into account the difficulty of the application of some products over others.</p>  | /150         |
| <p><b>Finishing</b></p> <p>The levels of finish incorporate the fixing and stopping of wall and ceiling linings, accurate fitting and fixing of windows and doors, architraves, skirtings and mouldings; installation of the kitchen, bathroom cabinets, and any joinery; tile work and painting and decorating. All of this work should provide a quality finish.</p>  | /250         |
| <p><b>General workmanship</b></p> <p>General assessment of the workmanship and quality of the dwelling including the degree of difficulty of the complete building project, relative to the category it is in. Attention to good detailing is essential. Correct placement and installation of all plumbing and electrical fittings.</p>  | /350         |
| <b>SUB TOTAL</b>  | <b>/1300</b> |

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## Design, Functionality and Style

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| <p><b>Functionality and design</b></p> <p>The general design must take into consideration the sun and the views from the dwelling. The layout and functionality must follow an easy flow within the dwelling. A clever design will flow from the living areas to the kitchen and give easy access to bathrooms. The kitchen must be well designed and functional. The lighting throughout the home should be both appropriate and adequate.</p> <p>Selection and suitability of products is appropriate to the site conditions and overall design and functionality</p> <p>Consideration given to the attention of detail provided</p> | /260        |
| <p><b>Fit to Site/Access/Entrance</b></p> <p>The dwelling should be orientated to maximise the sun, views and be situated on the most appropriate part of the site, taking into account the topography, vegetation, geology and prevailing weather. This may be difficult on a very tight section, if access is off one road or if there is only one way to the house.</p> <p>The design should make best use of the site for both pedestrian and vehicle access e.g. obvious, safe, well lit and an attractive entrance to the home.</p>  | /130        |
| <p><b>Aesthetic Appeal/Coherence</b></p> <p>The dwelling should have aesthetic appeal. The style should compliment the design, it could be quirky, original, contemporary or classic. The interior and exterior design of the dwelling must compliment each other.</p>   | /60         |
| <p><b>Future proofing</b></p> <p>Does the dwelling demonstrate sound planning for the future relative to the price category that it is in?</p> <p>Does the dwelling ensure the ongoing maintenance &amp; operating costs are sustainable?</p> <p>Does the property have good air quality, flow and passive ventilation?</p> <p>Has appropriate heating been installed?</p>   | /50         |
| <b>SUB TOTAL</b>   | <b>/500</b> |

## General Assessment

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| <p><b>Construction Timeframe</b></p> <p>Has consideration been given to the timeframe of the project taking into account the size of the dwelling, specifications and if it is a standard plan or a design and build?</p> <p>Was this timeframe consistent with the companies delivery times?</p> | /100        |
| <p><b>Cost to Build – Value for money</b></p> <p>Was the build value for money taking into account the m2 rates versus the specifications within the build?</p>   | /100        |
| <b>SUB TOTAL</b>  | <b>/200</b> |

**TOTAL** **/2000**